

BALK AT NEGRO CONFERENCE

SOME OF THOSE INVITED DISAPPROVE THE PROJECT.

Seth Low, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and Francis Lynde Stetson think it inadvisable to discuss the status of the black man and race prejudice.

The conference on the status of the American negro which begins tomorrow has met opposition by several prominent men who were asked to give their support.

Mr. Higginson expressed his views more in detail. He wrote:

In 1868 and ever since I have regarded the indiscriminate extension of the suffrage to an entire class as a class, whether negroes or others, to be politically inequitable.

Mr. Stetson wrote that one of the sincerest friends the negro ever had, a Republican in Congress, once said to him:

I almost wish that the entire negro population might be submerged in the Gulf of Mexico now (1874), for that would be a fate less terrible than that which I foresee for it.

Mr. Stetson said that in his opinion it is most undesirable to agitate for or concerning the civil and political status of the negro and that he must therefore decline to sign the call for the meeting or attend it.

Among those who will attend the conference are:

Prof. Livingston Farrand and John Dewey of Columbia University, Prof. Burt G. Wilder of Cornell, who recently made the statement that the skulls of two negro laborers he examined indicated superior intelligence to those of prominent white politicians.

William Lloyd Garrison, Edwin D. Meade, Bishop Alexander Walters, Mrs. Celia Parker Woolley, Leslie Pinckney Hill, Mrs. Ida B. Wells, Dr. William A. D. Simmons, Dr. William B. DuBois, Joseph C. Manning, Ray Stannard Baker and others.

Judge Wendell P. Stafford of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia will preside over the public meeting Monday evening.

Commissioner Williams again pokes up the contract caterer.

William Williams, the new Immigration Commissioner at Ellis Island, sent yesterday to Fritz Brodt, the island caterer, another letter, which read:

STEALS CITY'S PLANTS.

Rhododendrons Imported by Mrs. Sage Pulled From Central Park Bed.

John Leo a cooper, who lives at 315 East Eighty-ninth street, was arrested last night at Central Park at 10 o'clock.

Automobile tracks discovered near the flower bed led the police to believe that not only the plants but the bed were common thieves.

When Leo was taken to the Yorkville police court Magistrate Herrmann asked him why he had stolen the city's flowers.

Mr. Leo said he was doing it for a living. He said he was a cooper and that he was a member of the Central Park Association.

Mr. Leo was fined \$100 and costs. He was also ordered to pay the cost of the plants which he had stolen.

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MISS HELEN GOULD RECEIVES

SATURDAY IS HER DAY FOR WELCOMING THE CHILDREN.

Six Hundred Went Up From the East Side of Manhattan and Picked up Her Ground at Lyndhurst—Invited to Come Again for Nine Saturdays.

Six hundred children went up to Irvington yesterday to see and play with the owner's estate on Miss Helen Gould's place at Lyndhurst.

The children were taken to the Lyndhurst estate by the Lyndhurst School at Forty-ninth street and Lexington avenue got up the party.

The idea started with Dr. Wilbert W. White, the president of the Training School. He says he can't see why it isn't possible to have playgrounds for the children in the real country if the land costs too much to supply enough of them in New York.

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DIVORCE FOR MRS. SLOANE.

Wife of Union League and Crescent Club Man Gets Custody of Child.

Justice Jaycox of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn has granted Mabel Sloan an interlocutory decree of divorce from George W. Sloan, Jr., and the sealed papers in the case were yesterday filed in the County Clerk's office.

On January 20 last Mrs. Sloan disappeared from Brooklyn, taking with him his six-year-old son, Kenneth, and although a search was made for him by the police he has managed to conceal his whereabouts so far, but that he is in the far West is generally understood by his friends.

On the day of his disappearance he sent this letter to his wife:

Dear Mrs. Sloan, I have decided to take a trip South for a couple of weeks and thought I would take Kenneth along. I know very well that I asked you "No" would have been the answer. I would have been the answer. I would have been the answer.

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AGAINST MEMORIAL DAY GAME

GEN. LOUD OBJECTS TO BASEBALL AT WEST POINT.

His Letter Avails Nothing, but He Will Bring the Matter Up Again—Col. Scott Says That Nothing Is the Day Observed More Reverently.

Three weeks ago Gen. George B. Loud, who is chairman of the G. A. R. committee in this city on the observance of Memorial Day, learned in conversation with a Seventh Regiment friend that the baseball team of the regiment and the West Point cadets were to play a game of baseball this afternoon on Decoration Day.

Gen. Loud has ideas about the proper observance of Memorial Day and one of them is that if civilians choose to make it nothing but a holiday soldiers, and especially soldiers of the United States army, should not so regard it.

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MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAMME. GRAND ARMY MEN TO MARCH UP RIVERSIDE DRIVE.

Major McClellan to Review Them—School Children to Sing at the Soldiers' Monument—Gov. Hughes to Address Grand Post—Letter Carriers to March.

Memorial Day promises well for the patriot, the athlete and the mere pleasure seeker. The G. A. R. parade will begin at 9 o'clock in the morning. The veterans will fall in on West End avenue below Seventy-second street and the line of march will take them through Seventy-second street and up Riverside Drive to Ninety-second street, where they will be dismissed.

Major McClellan will review the parade at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, Riverside Drive and Eighty-ninth street. On the reviewing stand with him will be Gen. Henry A. Nevius, commander in chief of the G. A. R.; Col. John Jacob Astor, Gen. John J. McCook and other guests. More than 15,000 men will march past the stand. The G. A. R. members will be only about 2,600 strong. Six companies of Coast Artillery under the command of Major H. C. Schumm will precede the civil war veterans in the parade and a detachment of United States Marines will follow.

Other guests will be the parade at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument after the parade has passed. A chorus of pupils from the city high schools will sing and Gen. George B. Loud, chairman of the memorial committee, will speak. While the old soldiers are marching Riverside Drive a parade of a different character will be under way further down town—the third annual work horse parade. This parade will be held as formerly, under the auspices of the women's auxiliary of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. It will begin at 10:30 o'clock. The horses will pass a reviewing stand at the Worth Monument, Fifth avenue and Twenty-fifth street. Several hundred single work horses and teams have been entered and the prize winners in former parades will be out, proudly bearing their colors.